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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON: F. ALAN, 11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GORDON, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES HENDY & CO., 4 Old Jewry, E.C.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND: GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

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CHINA: Swatow, DROWN & Co. Amoy, GILES & Co. Fuzhou, THOMPSON & Co. Shanghai, H. FOGG & Co. Manila, C. K. ABUTH & Co.

Arrivals.

Dec. 17, Vision, British brig, 150, Cummins, Sydney, Oct. 31, General.—Captain.

Departures.

Dec. 18, Sultan, for Yokohama. 18, China, Ste., for Canton. 18, Ellen Morris, for Yokohama.

Shipping Reports.

The Brit. brig Vision, which left Sydney, at Noon on Saturday Oct. 31, met with a succession of head winds for the first fifteen days after leaving port (prevailing from N.E. to North), passed the Island of Anatan on the 17th Nov., Pleasant Island on the 25th, Providence Islands on Dec. 2nd. On Dec. 4th and 5th, between the 10th and 12th North, and 161 and 164 East, encountered a very heavy gale of wind, veering from N. to S.E. in which lost a main top-sail and fore-top-mast stay-sail. Dec. 7th, passed the Island of Anatan one of the Mariana Group. On Dec. 10th and 11th, had a hard Southerly gale. On the 12th saw a full rigged ship astern bound the same way; passed through the Bashee Channel on the 15th; had no trade winds in the Southern or Northern Tropic but a continuation of variable and boisterous weather with heavy confused sea; got a steady monsoon in 130 E. long.

New Advertisements.

As the undersigned intends leaving Hongkong on the first of January, those desiring his services will address him at once.

J. S. BURLINGHAM,

Hotel d'Europe, December 17, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the Undersigned has this day been removed to No. 22 B, corner of STANLEY and POTTINGER STREETS.

GRUN & Co.

Hongkong, December 17, 1868.

NOTICE.

For Sale in the Store of the Undersigned. Just landed, Ex STA. ANNA:—
BEST SHERRY—Amontillado.
Do. Pedro Jimenez.
Do. Do. superior.
Muscadine Wine.
Sherry, twenty years old.
do. superdine.
Jamaica Rum.
Vinegar.
Superior Manila Coffee.
The above Wines are all from Spain and in boxes of 12 bottles each. All at moderate prices.
Apply to
F. A. DE SOUZA,
Gage Street, No. 24.
Hongkong, December 7, 1868. de31

LOTTERY.

TWO DRAWING-ROOMS, ACTING ORGANS. HE above are very fine instruments, and an Organ to a Drawing-Room. 100 chances at \$5 each. They are on view on the premises, 68 and 60, Wellington street, up to the date of drawing—24th December, 1868, at 1 o'clock p.m., providing the lottery be filled up.
First prize, large Organ; second, small one.
F. DA CUNHA & Co.
Hongkong, December 7, 1868.

BELLEVUE HOUSE.

PRIVATE BOARD AND LODGING ESTABLISHMENT.
Hollywood Road, No. 6, next to the Hotel d'Europe, lately Mrs VIVRON'S.
CHARLES F. SEABURG.
Hongkong, December 8, 1868.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

THIS HOTEL will be conducted under a new arrangement commencing on the 1st of December. The Charges for Board will remain as follow:—
Board, \$45 a month. Tiffin only, \$15 a month. Dinners only, \$30 a month. One Breakfast or one Tiffin, 80 cents. One Dinner, \$1.25.
There is an excellent assortment of wines for sale at moderate prices.
The Charges for Lodging will be very considerably reduced. Rooms are offered to monthly lodgers at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, or \$45 a month.
Occasional Visitors are charged \$4 a day for their Rooms with or without board.
There is an ample supply of Bathrooms, and Gas is laid on throughout the house.
Hongkong, November 28, 1868.

New Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's Hotel, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 29th December, 1868, at half-past Two P.M., to receive the Report and Accounts and elect Directors for the ensuing year.
At the conclusion of the above Meeting an Extraordinary Meeting will be held to consider the advisability of altering No. 33 of the Articles of Association.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. LANGDON DAVIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 28, 1868. de29

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

Li Orders for Goods Supplied to or work done for the Hotel must be signed by the Secretary of the Company. The Company will not undertake to pay for any Goods Supplied without such Order.
By order of the Board of Directors,
C. L. NGDON DAVIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 27, 1868. tf

NOTICE.

LI Persons having claims against the Estate of the late JOHN CLARK, deceased, Acting Assistant Surveyor General, are requested to send in particulars of same on or before the 31st day of December next, to
F. I. HAZELAND,
Solicitor.
Supreme Court House.
Hongkong, November 20, 1868. de31

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., beg

GOODS for the Season, received per recent arrivals.

For Christmas Tables.

Mince Meat, Mincelutes, Figs, Raisins, Crystallized Fruits, Currants, Plum Puddings, Rich Cakes, Dessert Biscuits, Fricassee de Grenouilles, Pork Outlets, Truffled Sausages, Whitebait, Yemison, Salmon, Truffles, Vanilla, Bonbons, Prunes, Dessert Fruits, Rose Water Crackers, Cheddar, Albert and Stilton Cheese.

A Boar's Head.

Krug's Champagne, Glenlivet Whiskey, Ports, Sherries, Bass, Liqueurs in great variety, Oilman's Stores of first rate quality.

For the Children.

A splendid assortment of Toys, Christmas Tree Ornaments, Games and Books of Games, Illustrated Gift Books, Rocking Horses—Dragées, A Child's Swing.

For Christmas and New Year's Gifts.

Parian Statuettes, Perfume Cases, Dressing Cases, Writing Cases, Flower Vases, Richly-bound and Illustrated Books, Stereoscopes, Slides and Boxes, Fancy boxes of Bonbons, Photographic Albums, Cigar Magazines and Cases, Pipes and Cigar Tubes.

In General New Stock.

Sporting Gear of all kinds, Shooting Coats and Boots, Racing and other Saddlery and Whips, Mantlepieces, Grates, Fenders and Irons, Overland Trunks, Railway Valises, Croquet Sets, Athletic Gear, Perfumery and Brushes, Wall-papers in large variety, Sheet Lead, Stem-plates, Electro-Plate in good selection, A large Invoice of Standard Works, Novels, Books on Athletics, &c, Fashionable Collars, Ties & Scarves, Carpets, Rugs, and Curtains, Sticks and Umbrellas, Tweeds, Coatings and Flannels.

And,
Many other reasonable GOODS.

Hongkong, December 9, 1868. ja3

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 24th December, 1868, at 12 o'clock Noon on the Ground, Those Lots of LAND, situate at Queen's Road East, known as IN-LAND LOT No. 784, 2750 Square Feet, Measuring from the North—55 feet—South, 55 feet; East, 50 feet; and West, 50 feet. Crown Rent, \$30.30.

INLAND LOT No. 783, 2750 Square Feet—North, 55 feet; South, 55 feet; East, 50 feet; West, 50 feet. Crown Rent, \$30.30.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the deeds of transfer, the expenses of which are to be paid by the purchaser.
Hongkong, December 17, 1868. de24

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & Co. have received instructions from A. H. PRICE, Esq., H. M. Naval and Victualling Storekeeper, to sell by Public Auction, at the Naval Yard, Hongkong, on

TUESDAY,

29th Dec., 1868, at 11 o'clock a.m., The undermentioned condemned and unserviceable Naval and Victualling STORES, viz:—

About 56,000 lbs. Biscuits. A quantity of Biscuit Dust, Flour, Rum, Raisins, Slush, Candles, Staves, Headings, Iron Hoops, empty Cases and Tins, Iron Tanks, Implements, old Iron, (cast and wrought), Leather, Glass, Bunting, Steel, India Rubber, Sacks and painted Rags, Iron Casks, Lignum Vitæ, Crockeryware, Sheet Lead, Blue Cloth, Cotton Drill, Blue Serge, Blankets, Wrappers, Beds, and Soap.

A Galley and a Barge, Etc., Etc., Etc.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 1.17. Hongkong, December 16, 1868. de29

H. B. M. Gunboats "HARDY" and "DRAKE" will be

SOLD BY AUCTION, at the NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, on

TUESDAY,

the 9th February, 1869, (unless previously disposed of by private agreement). The Hardy is of 233 tons and 60 h. power. The Drake "238" "40". The following are the articles to be sold with each vessel, viz:—

With the "Hardy." Hull complete. No masts or yards. 2 Anchors. 1124 Fathoms Cable. Awnings complete, with Iron Stanchions. Davits for 2 Boats. 1 Dingy, 14 feet. 4 Oars and Awinning. 2 Downton's Pumps (1 complete). A pair of 30 Horse Power high pressure engines by Messrs. MAUDSLAY, SONS AND FIELDS, in fair working order. A set of 3 boilers, considerably worn but repairable.

With the "Drake." Masts complete. Yards do. Rigging do. 1 Anchor. 100 Fathoms Cable. Awnings complete. Davits for 3 boats. 1 Dingy, 14 feet. 2 Oars. 2 Downton's Pumps. A 40 Horse Power high pressure engine by Messrs. PENN AND SONS, in good working order. The boilers of this vessel have been taken out.

Spare Gear. Cylinder Cover, ... 1 in No. Eccentric Ring (brass), ... 1 " Piston, ... 1 " do. Rod, ... 1 " Plumber-block brasses, ... 1 pair Propeller (brass), ... 1 in No. Rod connecting, complete, ... 1 " Feed pump rod, ... 1 " Bilge do. do, ... 1 " Slide do. do, ... 1 " Guide blocks, ... 2 "

A. H. PRICE, Naval Storekeeper.
Hongkong, November 27, 1868. field

Entertainments.

73rd REGIMENT THEATRICALS. BAND AMATEUR SOCIETY.

BY this kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel G. J. BURN, The Members of the above will perform at the

GARRISON THEATRE, North Barracks.

This Evening, December 18th, 1868.

The Grand Comic Operatic Extravaganza, by Messrs A. HALLIDAY and F. LAWRENCE, Entitled

KENILWORTH, OR

YE QUEEN, YE EARLE, AND YE MAYDENNE. Queen Elizabeth, ... Mr. E. MALONE. Earle of Leicester, ... Mr. G. INGMAN.

Amy Robarts, ... Miss LOTTIE MAGILL. Walter Raleigh, ... Mr. F. W. BARTLETT. Trevelian, ... Mr. T. H. BARNARD. Duke of Sussex, ... Mr. W. SNOW.

Janet, ... Miss M. MACKEY. Varny, ... Mr. F. BULL. Wayland Smith, ... Mr. J. BULL. Michael Lambourne, ... Mr. W. BEDFORD.

Tony Foster, alias, ... Mr. T. ANDREWS. Fire the Faggot, ... Mr. T. HARDING. Giles Gosling, ... Mr. T. HARDING.

To conclude (by particular desire) with the laughable Farce in one act, by

JOHN MADDISON MORTON, Esq., Entitled

MY PRECIOUS BETSEY. Orchestra by the remainder of the Band.

PRICES OF ADMISSION. Reserved Seats, ... \$2.00. Front Seats, ... 1.00. Back Seats, ... 0.20.

Tickets to be had from the Manager at Murray Barracks and at the Door of the Theatre on the Night of Performance.

Doors open at half-past 8; Performance to commence at 9 precisely.

Manager, ... T. H. BARNARD. VIVAT REGINA.

AMATEUR THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE.

CLUB LUSITANO.

UNDER the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Major General Commanding in China and Japan. The Officers of the Garrison will perform on

Wednesday, The 23rd Inst., AT THE LUSITANO THEATRE.

Miss Eily O'Connor.

A New and Original Burlesque founded on the Great Sensation Drama of the COLLEEN BAWN.

And the Laughable Farce TO PARIS AND BACK FOR \$5.

Plan of the Theatre at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Boxes, \$12; Stalls, \$2. Doors open at 8.30; Performance to commence at 9.

Hongkong, December 17, 1868. de29

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman, GEORGE JOHN HELLAND, Esq. Deputy Chairman, GEO. F. HEARD, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. JAMES B. TAYLOR, Esq. SOLOMON D. SASSOON, Esq. A. JOSE, Esq. WILLIAM LEMANT, Esq. JAS. P. DUNNANSON, Esq. JULIUS MENKE, Esq. RICHARD ROWETT, Esq. E. R. BELLIEN, Esq.

Managers. VICTOR KRESSER, Esq. Chief Manager. SHANGHAI, ... DAVID MAULEAN, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits.—For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " " 12 " 5 per cent. " " " LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

VICTOR KRESSER, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, June 17, 1868.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

HAIR DRESSING SALOON. OPEN from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M.; Sundays, 8 to 12 A.M., for any Gentlemen who may feel the necessity of having any tonorial operation performed.

W. P. MOORE.
Hongkong, December 8, 1868. jan8



NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES SERVICES MARITIMES DES MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ALEXANDRIA, MESSINA, MARSALA.

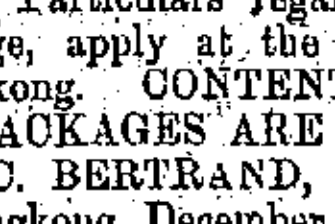
Also, BOMBAY, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

ONE of the Company's Steamers, the "IMPERATRICE" or the "TIGRE" will be despatched from this Port for the above places, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, between the 1st and 8th January, 1869.

Exact time of departure will be notified hereafter.

For Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the Company's office, Hongkong. CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.

C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent. Hongkong, December 17, 1868.



PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH U. S. MAIL LINE TO NEW YORK. THE Steamer China, Capt. E. R. WALSAL, will be despatched for Yokohama and San Francisco, on the 16th January, 1869.

A Steamer will leave Shanghai on or about same date, connecting at Yokohama with above-named steamer.

Passengers ticketed through to California, Mexico, Central and South America, the Atlantic States, and to England or France, both via New York and by lines from Panama and Aspinwall.

Return tickets issued at a reduction of 10 % upon the whole amount for the round voyage.

Connections are made at Panama with Steam Lines upon the West Coast of Central and South America, at Aspinwall with the "Royal West India Mail Line," "West India and Pacific Steam-Ship Company," (Limited), and the "French Transatlantic Company." And, at New York, with the various lines to Europe. Tickets issued for the following Steam-ship Lines: Cunard, Inman, National, General Transatlantic Co., New York and Havre Steam-ship Co., Hamburg and American Packet Co., New York and Bremen Steam-ship Co., and North German Lloyd.

Favorable arrangements have been made for through passengers and freight to America, from Calcutta, Penang and Singapore, and from Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.

Through Bills of Lading given for Ports of Mexico and on the West Coast of Central and South America to as far as Valparaiso, to New York, Liverpool, Southampton and St. Nazaire, France.

Freight to United States payable in advance in Mexican Dollars, or cash delivery in American Gold Coin with 8 per cent additional, at shipper's option.

For further information, apply at the Agency of the Company, Praya West.

GEO. F. BOWMAN, Agent.

Shipping.

The Diamond Line S. S. "UNITED SERVICE," will leave for Shanghai, on Sunday morning next, 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED. Hongkong, December 16, 1868. de21

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW. The Steam-ship "KWANG TUNG," Captain AYKIN, will have immediate despatch for the above ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 16, 1868. tf

FOR YOKOHAMA DIRECT. The steam-ship "SHATESBURY," Captain AYKIN, will leave this for the above port, on Sunday morning next, the 20th inst., at daylight.

For Freight, &c., apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, December 16, 1868. de20

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The British steamer "T. A. GIBB," Capt. GARNER, will be despatched for the above ports, on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at 2 P.M.

Despatches will close at 1 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, December 14, 1868. de22

FOR SAIGON. The A. 1 North German barque "JOHANNA MATHILDE," Captain LOHAS, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to SIMSEN & Co. Hongkong, December 11, 1868.

Shipping.

FOR FOOCHOW. The A. 1 German barque "COSTA RICA," Capt. WUNDERLICH, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to SIMSEN & Co. Hongkong, December 17, 1868.

FOR SINGAPORE. The American barque "DESPATCH," Capt. JONES, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to JOHN BURD & Co. Hongkong, December 9, 1868. de20

FOR SYDNEY (DIRECT). The British barque "MELROSE," Captain KINDEP, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JOHN BURD & Co. Hongkong, December 9, 1868. tf

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The N. German barque "ALBATROSS," Capt. OCKEN, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Hongkong, December 15, 1868. tf

FOR NEW YORK. The A. 1 British ship "LOUISA," Capt. LANSDOWN, will load here and at Whampoa, and have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

FOR NEW YORK. The A. 1 American barque "STERLING" (BUILT IN 1866), of 468 Tons Register, Hamburg, Master, having the greater portion of her cargo engaged, will load here, and at Whampoa, and have early despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to OLYPHANT & Co. Hongkong, October 20, 1868. tf

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. To follow the "Marie," The British ship "GOLDEN HORN," Captain RICK, will have early despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 2, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. The A. 1 British ship "ROSLIN CASTLE," JAS. ALEXANDER, Master, of 644 tons Register

Notices to Consignees.

"WHITEHALL" from LONDON.
The above named vessel having arrived in harbour, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, November 29, 1868.

"ROSLIN CASTLE" from LONDON.
Consignees of Cargo by the above named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE.
MR. C. J. H. SCHRODER, is authorised to sign our Firm's procuration, from this date.
SCHWANBECK & THIEL.
Saigon, November 14, 1868.

NOTICE.
The Interest and Responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NELSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.
Mr. THOMAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NELSON, and Mr. H. SETMOUR, GEARY are authorised to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.
OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, October 6, 1868.

NOTICE.
MR. C. EMIL BAY has been admitted a Partner in our Firm here and at Shanghai from the 1st October, 1868.
EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.
Hongkong, December 5, 1868.

I HAVE this day authorised Mr. O. LANGDON DAVIES to sign my name for procuration to all orders for goods supplied to the Hongkong Hotel, and I alone am liable to pay for goods supplied upon such orders.
I have further authorised Mr. Davies to collect all debts due to me on Hotel account, for which his receipt will be a sufficient discharge.
LEE AFOONG.
Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
C. LANGDON DAVIES.
Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.
S. L. PHELPS, Agent.
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

NOTICE.
MR. HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE is authorised to sign our Firm's procuration, at Foochow from this date.
BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, June 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the style and firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.
GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

NOTICE.
MR. RYLE HOLMES has been admitted a partner in our Firm.
GLOVER & Co.
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

NOTICE.
We have authorized Mr. CLAUDE BUDDE to sign our Firm from this date.
DREYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.
Ex "Whitehall," "Red Deer," and other Arrivals.
BASS'S ALE in kegs and kilderkins. Do. do. in cases, quarts and pints. Guinness's DUBLIN STOUT in qts. and pints. Barclay & Co's PORTER in wood. Hennessy's Pale BRANDY in bottle. Gales & Co's superior Pale BRANDY in bottle. Barlaque's superior fine Champagne COGNAC. Duff Gordon's SHERRIES, from \$7.50 to \$15 per dozen. Light dunnop SHERRY at \$6 per dozen. Tenny Old PORT. Full flavored fruit PORT. Swan and Borden's GINGER WINE and Ginger BRANDY. Oilman's Stores of every description, from Crosse & Blackwell and J. T. Morton; Oxbottom Brothers' HAMS, CHEESE and BACON; Oxford, Cambridge and German SAUSAGES, Pate de Foie Gras TRUFFLES, Assorted Truffled Game and Meat Pates. Perigord TRUFFLES, at LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

FOR SALE.
Ex Recent Arrivals.
AMERICAN Prime Mess BEEF, in barrels and half-barrels. Hamburg Prime Mess BEEF, in barrels. Prime Danish BUTTER, in 7 lb. tins, quite fresh. Muller's celebrated LAGERBEER, in cases of 4 doz. quarts at \$3 per case. Dettler's Bremen PALE ALE in quarts, at LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

Just Received from "Rotterdam."
WYNAND FOKING'S Double ORANGE CURACOA. Wymond Fokling's white CURACOA. A.V.H. GIN in white and square bottles. Pomeroy's BUTTERS.
LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.
Ex "Finch," "Red Deer," &c. in drums and wood.
Hubbuck's raw LINED OIL, in drums and wood.
Hubbuck's bright VARNISH, in barrels. Spirits of TURPENTINE, in drums.
Hubbuck's best white ZINC, white LEAD, dry red LEAD, black, green and blue PAINTS, &c., &c.
Pescoc's patent Composition, rigging LEATHER, Pump LEATHER, Deep Sea Lead LINES, hand Lead LINES, Log LINES, signal HALYARDS.
Assorted colors BUNTING.
Best English Split PEAS, in barrels, at LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

FOR SALE.
A D. Henry's best Government Navy CANVAS constantly on hand at LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

Just Received from France and for Sale by the Undersigned.
A Fresh supply of BUTTER in Bottles, in finest condition.
Gruyere CHEESE.
French CHOCOLATE at 75c. per lb. A fine assortment of French BONBONS, and CONFECTIONERY.
FRUITS in juice, from Teyssonneau. Do. in Brandy.
Crystallized FRUIT, BONBONS with Mother, &c.
A large assortment of VEGETABLES in tins. MACCARONI and VERMICELLI. French MUSTARD, French Salad OIL, French white Wine VINEGAR.
LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

FOR SALE.
THE Copyright and Plant of the Shanghai Recorder, Daily Newspaper, and Supreme Court and Consular Gazette, Weekly Newspaper, or one-half interest in the same.
Tenders to be received on or before the 20th instant. For particulars, apply at the Office.
Shanghai, 5th December, 1868.

NEW CHRISTMAS-GOODS JUST RECEIVED AT THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
Rose Water Crackers.
Chocolate a Menier.
For BREAKFAST & EATING.
Fancy Boxes Chocolate and Bonbons. Jujubes of every description. New Perfumery. Perfume Irrigators. Pears Soaps in great variety.

CHERRY Tooth Paste.
Magnetic Machines.
Silicated Carbon Filters.
Felt Chest Protectors and Cork Respirators—to be had at the VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
De Laville's Celebrated Gout Mixture and Pills to be had at the VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, December 10, 1868.

FOR SALE.
Ex "Whitehall," and Mail.
CHOCOLATE MENIER, in Plain and Handsome boxes.
Bohemian Vases, fancy Toilet Sets, and a great variety of New Goods, suitable for Christmas Presents.
Bonbons, Mottio Nuts, Cakes, Mince-meat, fancy Dessert Fruits, Confectionery, Toys, &c.
Also, Christy's New Shape Felt Hats; Neckties, and Scarves, in Queen's variety; Fancy Coatings, &c., &c.
S. W. BAKER & Co.
Hongkong, December 11, 1868.

SAYLE & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD.

RESPECTFULLY solicit inspection of their New GOODS, in the following Departments.

SILKS.
Evening Dresses—Velvets.
RIBBONS.
Lace—Fancy Dresses.
HOSIERY.
Gloves—Trimmings.
HABERDASHERY.
Manchester—Prints.
Shawls—MANTLES.
Jackets.
BONNETS.
Ladies' Outfits.
BABY LINEN.
Gentlemen's Hats—Gloves.
HOSIERY.
Clothes—Tweeds.
Tailoring in all its Branches.

PERFUMERY, &c.
CARPETS.
Household Linens—Blankets.
FURNISHING DRAPERY, &c., &c.

P.S.—The Dress-making, Millinery and Tailoring are under the Superintendence of experienced West End Hands.
Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

NOTICE.
ESTATE OF DEBT AND CO.

A FIRST DIVIDEND of Ten per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 1st January next.
On application to the undersigned, at the office of the Trustees, Pedder's Hill, Creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees which will be payable on presentation at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
By order of the Trustees.
E. WHEELEY.
Hongkong, November 23, 1868.

Insurances.

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.
NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the requirements of Section Number Fifty of "The Companies Ordinance, 1866," an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Society, No. 12, Praya, on Monday, the Twenty-first day of December next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of continuing all or any Special Resolutions that may be passed at the Meeting called for the purpose on the Fifth day of December next.
Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct., A.D. 1868.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT WATMORE, Secretary.

CHINA TRADER'S INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
The General Dividend of Dollars Three Hundred and Fifty (\$350) per share will be payable at the office of the Company, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants, on and after the 15th inst.
By Order,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
General Agents.
Hongkong, December 9, 1868.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS, in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.
Consulting Committee:—
GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
WM. KAYE, Esq.
R. ROWETT, Esq.
S. D. SASSON, Esq.
F. BUXBY, Esq.
General Managers, Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Head Office, No. 39, Queen's Road.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, which expires by effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased Capital.
It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will, it is expected, in a very short time accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.
It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for that purpose.
In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:—
The total premiums collected from the 11th May 1866 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to.....\$304,727.73
The losses which have been paid within the same period have amounted to.....\$130,081.22
and include the large sum of \$85,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in Nov. 1867.
The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds.....\$160,000.00
These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium, and enter on a profitable and organised business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regulations now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.
The following are the main features of the New Company:
1. A First Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share on allotment, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months; all further Calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.
2. Interest at 12 per cent per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 30th December; The profits after deducting the said interest to be applied thus:—20 per cent, *pro rata*, amongst such of the shareholders as shall have contributed or influenced business to the Company, and the remainder in forming a Reserve Fund of \$250,000.
3. When such Reserve Fund shall have been accumulated, the payment of Interest to cease, and the profits to be applied thus:—20 per cent to be distributed as already mentioned amongst the shareholders who shall have contributed business to the Company; 30 per cent to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach \$1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 60 per cent to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.
4. No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.
5. The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.
6. The Funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities approved of by the Committee.
The Deed of Association may be inspected at the Office of the General Managers, or at the Office of Mr. HENRY C. CALDWELL, the Solicitor of the Company.
Hongkong, December 15, 1868.

New Advertisements.

THE ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.
In consequence of arrangements not having been completed, the above Company will not appear in Macao to-morrow evening, as announced, but will give a CONCERT.
(ON SATURDAY EVENING)
December, 19th 1868,
IN THE CONCERT ROOM of the CLUB LUSITANA,
when they hope to be honored with the patronage of the public of Hongkong.

PROGRAMME.—
PART FIRST.
1.—Duet—Donizetti, Signors SARATINI and PELLICO.
2.—Romanza—Gordigiani, "Giovannotta," Mlle. POCOLARI.
3.—Duet—Verdi, "Ballo in Maschera," Signor SARATINI and Mlle. BOUCHÉ.
4.—Duet—Verdi, "Trovatore," Signor SARATINI and Mlle. POCOLARI.
5.—Romanza—Verdi, "I due Foscari," Signor PELLICO.
6.—Trio—Verdi, "Trovatore," Mlle. BOUCHÉ and Signors SARATINI and PELLICO.

PART SECOND.
1.—Romanza—Donizetti, "Maria di Rohan," Signor SARATINI.
2.—Duet—Bellini, "Norma," Mlle. BOUCHÉ and POCOLARI.
3.—Ballet—Serenade, "Good Night, beloved," Mlle. BOUCHÉ.
4.—Duet—Rossini, "Barbiere di Siviglia," Signors PELLICO and SARATINI.
5.—Romanza—Verdi, "Luiza Muller," Signor SARATINI.
6.—Trio—Verdi, "I Lombardi," Mlle. BOUCHÉ and Signors SARATINI and PELLICO.

Conductor, Signor ZAPPA.
Tickets to be had at the HOTEL D'EUROPE, and at the doors on the evening of performance.
Admission,.....\$2 each.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1868.

THE ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.
The Members of the above Company beg respectfully to announce that their THIRD CONCERT will be given on the Evening of Tuesday Next, December 22nd, 1868, in the CONCERT ROOM of the CLUB LUSITANA, AND THAT A FOURTH CONCERT, will be given, in the same Room, on Saturday Evening, December 26th, of which full particulars will be duly announced.
Hongkong, December 18, 1868.

SAIL-MAKING.
LAWCETT & Co., having secured the services of an experienced Sail-Maker, are prepared to MAKE or REPAIR SAILS at very reasonable rates.
Hongkong, December 10, 1868.

CHRISTADLEPHIAN SYNAGOGUE, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
THOSE in Hongkong, who have become Christadelphians, by believing the things "concerning the Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ" (Acts viii-12) and being thereafter, immersed in water in obedience to Apostolic Commandment (Acts ii-38).
MEET EVERY SUNDAY, In the morning at 11 a.m. for the breaking of bread, and for worship, and in the evening at 7 o'clock, for the proclamation of the truth.
N.B.—Christadelphian means "Brethren of Christ," and is adopted by those acknowledging it, to distinguish them from ordinary "Christians" who in the estimation of the former, are departed from the faith of CHRIST, and turned unto fables of the truth.
LOOKING FOR HIS APPEARING.
Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having PURCHASED the interest of the "WANSHI STEAM BAKERY," begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Ship Masters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD in various forms, to any part of the Colony.
Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at low rates constantly on hand or baked in quantities at short notice.
Also Vater, Butler, Soda and Sugar BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.
Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Salt-rub and Cream TARTAR.
Flour of best Brands constantly on hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or Pound.
CAKE of all kinds baked to order.
The above is under the Superintendence of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at Messrs. MACLEOD & Co's. will receive prompt attention.
L. P. WARD.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

GEORGE GLASSE, (FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO) KINGSFORD & Co., PICCADILLY LONDON, AND 28, PLACE VENDOME, PARIS) ENGLISH AND FOREIGN CHEMIST VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG, SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS SUPPLIED & REFITTED.
Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

EASTLACK & WINN, Surgeon Dentists, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

New Advertisements.

JOHN THOMPSON & Co., DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL CHEMISTS, AND SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.
Ship's Medicine Chests supplied and refitted.
"TEETH EXTRACTED." INTERNATIONAL DISPENSARY, 23, Wellington Street, Hongkong.
Hongkong, May 9, 1868.

RE "TREATY PORTS OF CHINA & JAPAN" AND "NOTES AND QUERIES ON CHINA AND JAPAN," EXTRACTS FROM REVIEWS.
(From the "Friend of India," June 4, 1868.)
We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the numbers for the current year of "Notes and Queries," a most deserving Anglo-Chinese monthly, edited by Mr. M. E. Denney, whose "Treaty Ports of China and Japan" are so well known. From the names attached to the "Notes" we can see that the contributors include some of the best Chinese scholars in the East. Its interest is not confined to China, and it will be of valuable assistance to all scholars, who have directed their attention towards the subject of Buddhism and its literature, and generally to all who are interested in oriental antiquities. It deserves to be better known in India.
(From the "Straits Times," July 27, 1868.)
Some time ago we had occasion to remark upon the progress that Literature as represented by new Presses made and was making in the East, and our attention has again been called to the subject by the receipt of a Hongkong publication which deserves some notice and which we have much pleasure in introducing to the knowledge of our readers. We allude to Notes and Queries on China and Japan, published monthly by Mr. Saint, the proprietor of the China Mail newspaper. This publication is well printed on good paper, and in size and shape is very like its well-known namesake or prototype at home, and is equally a mine containing very curious and useful information regarding the language, literature, history, manners and customs of the Chinese and in a less degree of the Japanese. It says a good deal for the extent and stability of the footing of Europeans in China, that such a publication as this should be established and conducted with apparently successful vigour.
The publication is altogether a very interesting one, and wishing it every success, we commend it to the attention and support of our readers.

LATEST SHIPPING.
ARRIVALS.
Dec. 18, Magnet, American ship, 679, Crosby, San Francisco, Oct. 24, General.—Captain.
CLEARED.
Uranus, for Yokohama.
Colima, for Ningpo.
Batavia, for Whampoa.
Iris, for Yokohama.
PASSENGERS.
The following European passengers left this for Canton, yesterday:—
Mr. Alfred, Rev. Wm. Lecler.
The following European passengers arrived here from Canton to-day:—
Messrs. J. Arnold, M. A. Correa, W. M. Morgan, A. M. Case, C. C. Cohen, R. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Carrington, Mr. and Mrs. Partridge and one other.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The American ship Magnet, from San Francisco, reports fine weather, light winds and calm, the first part of passage. On Dec. 10th, in lat. 19.50 N., long. 135 E. had a very heavy gale from E.S.E. to W., which lasted for 48 hours; stove in bulwarks and split several sails; thence moderate N.E. monsoon till arrival. 54 days out.
POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.
MAILS WILL CLOSE:—
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA, Per "T. A. GIBB," on Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 1 p.m.
FOR YOKOHAMA, Per Str. "SHATESBURY," on Saturday next, the 19th inst., at 6 p.m.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA, Per "GLENGYLE," on Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 1 p.m.
It is hereby notified that, under the authority of a Treasury Warrant dated the 1st May last, Superintending, or First-Class Schoolmasters in the Army will, in future, be entitled to the same privileges in regard to Letters sent by or addressed to them on their own private affairs as are at present enjoyed by Commissioned Officers in the Army; and all Army Schoolmasters will be entitled (as Army Schoolmasters of all but the First-Class now are) to the same privileges, in regard to their Letters, as are enjoyed by non-commissioned Officers and Private Soldiers.
F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster-General.
General Post Office, Hongkong, July 31, 1868.

It is hereby notified that, under the provisions of a Treasury Warrant dated the 7th May, the Postage on a Letter not exceeding half-an-ounce in weight posted in Hongkong or at any of the Ports in China and Japan addressed to Egypt, or posted in Egypt addressed to Hongkong or any of the Ports in China and Japan, is reduced from Twenty-four Cents to Twelve Cents.
For Letters exceeding half-an-ounce in weight a further rate of Twelve Cents for each half-ounce is chargeable.
Prepayment of the Postage is compulsory.
F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster-General.
General Post Office, Hongkong, July 31, 1868.

UNDER DESPATCH.
For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per T. A. Gibb, on Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m.
For Yokohama.—Per Str. Shatesbury, on Saturday next, the 19th inst., at 6 p.m.
For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per Glengyle, on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at 2 p.m.

QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 18th December, 1868.
OPIMUM.—Patna, New,.....\$25
Benares, New,.....\$25 a cts
Malwa,.....\$25 a cts
COTTON.—Calcutta,.....16 a 10
Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 223
Shanghai, 3 days' sight, Bank, Tls. 74
Silver, 17 dwts. B.,.....9 1/2 nominal
Soyes,.....6 1/2 a 6.50
Mexicans,.....23.60 a 24.00
Gold Leaf, 98 South,.....23.60 a 80
English Sovereigns,.....4.65
Australian Sovereigns,.....4.63
Discount,.....9 a 10
H. & W. Dock, Old, 4 p. c. dis.; New, 25
H. & S. Bank Shares, Old, 24 p. c. p.
Do. New,.....20 p. c. dis.
Union Dock.....20 p. c. dis.

Temperature.
HONGKONG, 18th December, 1868.
(Taken at Messrs. Palmer & Co's. Premises, Queen's Road.)
THERMOMETER—9 A.M., Dry,.....61
Do. Wet,.....56
Do. 4 P.M., Dry,.....65
Do. Wet,.....59
Self-registering Maximum,.....67
Minimum, over night,.....61
BAROMETER, 9 A.M.,.....30.454
Do. 4 P.M.,.....30.331

NOTICE.—It is particularly requested that all communications relating to the general business of this paper be addressed to the Proprietor and in no case to individuals by name. Much delay and inconvenience in the transmission of business will thereby be avoided.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.
Our columns are open to all who wish to address the public on legitimate grounds, but we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.
All communications addressed to this paper must be accompanied by the name of the sender, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

BIRTH.
At Canton, on the 15th December, the Wife of the Rev. Henry Parkes, Wesleyan Missionary Society, of a Daughter.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DEC. 18, 1868.

THE CUSTOMS.

THE question put to a Northern contemporary respecting the "Commissions" of officers serving in the new Customs gunboats, is of much interest to foreign residents in China. Some months since the construction of certain gunboats in England was ordered by Mr. Hart for the ostensible purpose of being attached to that department of the Customs, known as the "Marine Inspectorate," and to facilitate the fulfilment by the native authorities of the engagements entered into with respect to the erection of Light-houses and placing of Buoys, &c., for the purpose of facilitating foreign navigation. We cannot withhold our admiration of the manner in which Mr. Hart is, while really increasing the efficiency of the Customs service, slowly but surely becoming the head of an executive which at its present rate of increase will, in a few years, be able to control the destinies of the empire as regards its relations with foreign countries. We frankly admit the extreme difficulty of any half-way measures. As we understand the position the alternatives are simply these: Either the Chinese must themselves retain the actual and not merely nominal direction of all details connected with the Customs service, and so keep the Inspector-General and all his subordinates in the position of well paid but absolutely dependent subordinates, or they must give him and them a somewhat independent footing and largely rely on their advice even if they allow them to possess no power of executive action. In the former case the complications would be endless. Experience has sufficiently demonstrated that no men of character can be found who will blindly carry out the orders of Chinese superiors. The Customs service would again be robbed of its distinctive feature as a "foreign" service, to deal with foreigners and to act as a medium between them and the native authorities; while the check of foreign interference once removed, peculation would again become free amongst the native officials, and former difficulties would recur under exaggerated forms. It is the utterly innate dishonesty of the Chinese nature, its complete want of faith and honor, and its failure to comprehend the policy, apart from necessity, of telling the truth and keeping one's word, which has made the foreign Inspectorate a necessity. Enthusiasts point to this native official or that native merchant, whose word is as good as his written bond, and exultingly ask upon what basis we found those sweeping accusations which the columns of this journal and its contemporaries so often contain! We find a ready answer in the necessities which have made a foreign Inspectorate possible and exterritorialization for foreigners a necessity. These are sufficient without any reference to recent events, though the latter afford an important corroboration of the truth of what has been alleged.

Admitting that the second alternative, which in fact pretty fairly describes the present status and Inspector General the only practicable necessity under the circumstances, what at best is a double-edged sword unless the foreign China be men of ability. Any man is, if honestly inclined, best he can for the employs him. It happens that it is without greatly actual powers view those exercised by men worth trusting accept responsible a native authorities large amount of and to place any hands of persons vessels, or Commission of war in would be as dangerous towards ensuring their duties. The employment of foreigners whose subordinates shall tory, any discretion and not the member. Such at the present position at the commanding the answered. Not of present employees Tidewater nor do sions or appoint Peking," and more Robert Hart. It that such a power, be nominally, be irresponsible, is from to China itself and with China, if misu check, and that thanks to the pre British Legation, rests with the for watch with mini developments of a useful friend to form most oppressive devalues the difficu where necessary p favour of personal grandisement. Ar foreign interests ar toms' progress" cat skilful diplomacy. not see in what article is to be four

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THE Police Magistrate is Solomons we are conscious that criticism may some harsh in view of mental work devote pants of the bench, theless allow a de May this morning a certain Chinese the Hongkong De since disappeared v ing with him \$40 account. This teiseen to the proper person it therefore amount For the double offer the prisoner to a more than half the It would appear doubt as to whether handed over or not to do with our c been paid the fine d ployment without If it had been eu simply an encourag and on the face of it would certainly e had embzzled the not aided by needl terial decisions; would surely seal verbal blindness al

THE Sessions for by the Chief Justice cases on the calendar Chan Aon, an ac not guilty, and rain but was convicted of imprisonment in ad tence. The Yow Mah Te interpreter in police and a cook (Low A forward. The cus first prisoner, and labor; the Judge upon the necessity tion in the police, discharged. The highway robt Bonner named Cox Tam Achow, the onc to two years' hard while the second, w sentenced to three y receive three floggin the last being an old The prisoners in ular Buildings—a were next charged. shots fired, both p were sentenced to th with three floggings

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Insurances.

LIFE ASSURANCE.

THE Undersigned have received Authority by a recent Mail to issue Life Policies for amounts not exceeding £10,000 without reference to the Head Office.

was previously required by the Board.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insurance Company
Hongkong, January 6, 1865.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having received extended limits from THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY, are now authorised to issue Policies against FIRE as follows. viz

On any one first-class Building, or Goods stored therein — in Hongkong \$50,000; in Macao \$45,000.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool
Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

REDUCTION
IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR
FIRE INSURANCE.

THE Undersigned have (as already int

ated in their Circular dated 14th October last) received authority from the Secretary of the ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY to Reduce the rate of Premium

In cases of DWELLING-HOUSES removed from the Town, the rate of Premium will be *Three-quarters per Cent.* in place of *One per Cent.* per Annum as hitherto charged; and in cases of Residences, so situated, being detached or semi-detached, the rate will be further reduced to *One-half per Cent.*

The Royal's Annual Rates for FIRE INSURANCE on the various classes of Building and their contents will therefore remain as follows, until further notice, viz. :—

Detached and semi-detached

Dwelling-Houses (removed
 from the Town) and their
 Contents, $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent
 Other Dwelling-Houses (simi-
 larly situated) and their
 Contents, $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent
 First Class China Houses and
 their Contents, $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent
 Other Risks as per special arrangement.
 ROB. S. WALKER & Co.

Agents Royal Insurance Company
Hongkong, November 9, 1866.

**YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION
OF SHANGHAI.**
DIVIDEND of (8 per cent.) Eight per
cent. has been declared.

Policy holders will please send in particulars of their contribution to that date to the Undersigned.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, September 8, 1868.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF
SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company are prepared to grant Policies
against FIRE on BUILDINGS and

BATAVIA SEA & FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named COMPANY are prepared to grant Policies of Insurance on SHIPS, BUILDINGS and GOODS, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 6, 1867.

policies against SEA RISKS, at current rates
 RUSSELL & Co.
 Hongkong, April 1, 1865.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

THE Undersigned having been appointed Secretaries and Agents of this Association, are prepared to issue Policies upon Marine Risks at current rates of premium. Policies can be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore.

In addition to the usual brokerage this Association returns to the assured of each year at the close of each current year, fifteen (15) per cent of the profits of the Company for that year divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policyholder.

Hongkong, March 2, 1867.

RUSSELL & Co. tf.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY
OF SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents in China for the above Insurance COMPANY are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks, at the current rates.

FUSSELL & Co
Hongkong, July 6, 1866.

**SAMARANG SEA AND
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF
SAMARANG.**
THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Macao for the above named
Company are prepared to grant Policies
covering Marine Risks at

RAYNAL & Co.
Macao, August 4, 1866.

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SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY OF BATAVIA

SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Companies are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks on the usual

terms. SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, August 1866.

NOTICE,

NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following

Not exceeding one month, } of the Annual rate,
Above one month and not exceeding 3 months, }

Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, ...
Above 6 months, ... the full annual rate,
TURNER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 13, 1866.

